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VACCINES

RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following remarks.

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